GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3408
ANSWERED ON:06.08.2002
ACTIVITIES OF NAGA INSURGENTS
HOLKHOMANG HAOKIP;KAILASH MEGHWAL;PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Naga insurgent leaders operating from foreign soils;

(b) the names of Government representatives negotiating with insurgent groups;

(c) whether these insurgent groups are involved and using other underground outfits for extortion, intimidation and smuggling from Myanmar and Bangladesh, etc.;

(d) if so, the details thereof and steps contemplated to check such activities;

(e) the number of ambushes on Indian Security Forces conducted by NSCN (IM) inside and outside Nagaland during the on-going ceasefire;

(f) whether T. Muiva (IM) has become a member in Board of Directors of an Irish Company by purchasing 12450 shares as reported in the Dainik Jagaran dated July 12, 2002;

(g) if so, whether these leaders have invested such money in foreign countries and purchased modern arms and ammunitions therewith; and

(h) if so, the action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D.SWAMI)

(a): Prominent Naga militant leaders operating from foreign soils are:- (1) Mr. Issac Swu; (2) Mr. Th. Muviah; (3) Mr. Khaplang; and (4) Miss Adino.

(b): Representative of Government of India for talks with Naga leaders is Shri K. Padmanabhaiah.

(c)&(d): Some instances of extortion, intimidation and smuggling by militants from Myanmar and Bangladesh have come to notice. Steps taken to check such activities inter-alia includes Deployment of security forces, disbursement of salaries through cheques, construction of border roads, border fencing, reduction of gaps between Border Outposts, intensification of patrolling both on the land and the riverine border, increase in the number of outpost towers, provision of surveillance equipments including night vision devices, etc.

(e): According to available information 5 incident of ambushes by Naga militants in Nagaland and 20 incidents outside Nagaland took place during the period.

(f)to(h): The Government have seen the news item. However, no such reports have been received.